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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Nobuji KISHIMOTO, et al.

Serial No.: Unassigned

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FOR: LOWER ALKANE OXIDATIVE DEHYDROGENATION CATALYSTS AND A
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OLEFINS

Date: February 12, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the subject application,
please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the
paragraphs beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing
of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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Cross-reference to related applications

This application is a division of application Serial No. 09/895,416, filed July 2, 2001, which is a division of application Serial No. 09/313,652, filed May 18, 1999, now abandoned.